

*"You have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well." –*

*Mt 5:38-39*



**Sanctuary Lamp**

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for *Joseph George* as requested by his loved ones.

*Weekly – Hosts Offering* are available for your intentions.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, February 19 2011

4:30PM Louis & Mary Dumont

Sunday, February 20, 2011

9:00 AM Virginia Xavier

11:00 PM Edward Pypec

**5:00PM** Our Parish Family

Monday, February 21, 2011

9:00AM Gary Coggliano (7<sup>th</sup>)

Tuesday, February 22 2011

9:00 AM Larry Fox

Wednesday, February 23, 2011

9:00 AM Alice Carvalho

Thursday, February 24, 2011

9:00AM Grace Pedrosa

Friday, February 25, 2011

9:00AM Eileen C. Rounseville

Saturday, February 26, 2011

4:30 PM Scott Amaral (10<sup>th</sup>)

Sunday, February 27, 2011

9:00 AM Our Parish Family

11:00 AM Jose DaVeiga

**5:00 PM** Matt Benoit

**COLLECTIONS:**

Sunday, Feb. 13 <sup>th</sup> Regular	5,568.74
Maintenance	2,157.00
Anchor	465.00

**2010 Contribution Tax Forms are available in the parish office.**

**HOLY HOUR ADORATION**

**Tuesday evening – 7pm**

Confessions available during Adoration.

**ST. JULIE'S LADIES' GUILD**

**SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:**



The volunteer for the week of February 20 through February 26 is **Vicki DeMello (508/984-7852)**. The Ladies Guild would like to thank all those who contributed to the Diaper Drive.

Coffee and Donuts are available after the 9 and 11am Masses today. The next Guild meeting will be held Wednesday, March 2 at 7pm. Fr. Jeff Cabral will be guest speaker.

**St. Julie Billiart Church Bereavement Ministry**

**494 Slocum Road, N. Dartmouth, MA 02747**

The first meeting in a series of 6 Monday evenings of a **Widows and Widowers Support Group** will be held on Monday, February 28th from 6:30 to 8pm. For information and to register call: Pat Cashmore at (508) 971-4191

**Prayer Corner:** Please remember in your prayers: *Virginia Pelletier, Carissa Martinho, Madeline, Mel Marmello & baby, Julie Deterra, Jane, Carol, Cloe, John F. Pimentel J., Caleb Vezina, Annemarie Anderson, George, Lydia Ramalho, Alison, Ernie Carreiro, baby Charlotte, Cecelia Gonsalves, Melissa M., Marie Alves, June Collins, Mary Gaughan, Kathy Gardner, Nancy Gomes, Janice Santos, Lydia Rodrigues, Yvette Thompson, Teri Gifford, Priscilla Sprague, Alice Pfeninger, Melissa Lambert, John Carvalho, Joseph C. Bence, Jane, Kathy, Janet Pictou, Paula Murphy, Ann Barboza, Lauren Ladiou-Saunders, Frank Sylvia, Adeline Levesque, Annie, Annette, Lori, Mabel Janusz, Jenny Andre, Cindy Azevedo, Mary, Elaine, Jeff, Jay, Arlene, Delores, Mary Ann Dupere, Deane Freitas, Baby Sarah, Baby Violet, Lucille, Irene, Manny, Stephen Canto, Debbie, Genevieve, Bobby Belliveau, Rose, Steve, Logan, Mary O'Neil, John Jr., Vanessa, Susan McHugh, Coty, Adam Alfonso, and those intentions that have been spoken and unspoken in our hearts.* Please remember in your prayers our service men and women who are in harms way. You are welcome to call and place people on the prayer intentions with the individual's permission. People are placed on this list for one month at a time, unless we are advised that there is a greater need for prayer. Parish Office 508/993-2351.

**LOBSTER ROLL/CHOWDER DINNER**

**Friday, March 4, 2011.....6:00 – 8:30pm**

**Menu includes: Chowder, Lobster Roll, Coleslaw, Beverage, Dessert**

**Price: ...\$15.00**

**Also available – Child's Menu: Grilled cheese, Potato chips, Beverage and Dessert - Price ....\$5.00**

**Tickets MUST be purchased in advance and will not be available at the door.** Tickets will be sold this weekend and next.

Sponsored by the St. Julie's Ladies Guild

**Meditation:**

*The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.*  
Psalm 9:9

Faith gives me the courage to face today's battles with confidence and tomorrow's uncertainty with cheerful hope.

From Father's Desk...

My Wounds Hurt You

Your Wounds Hurt Me

To some extent or other, we are all wounded souls. After all, no one grows up in perfect circumstances. Moreover, some people have been subject to horrific abuse or victims of terrible traumas. In addition to any direct wounds we have experienced, whether physical or psychological, we also inherit "residue" from our parents, and grandparents . . . possibly from even more remote ancestors.

As I enter my 20<sup>th</sup> year of priesthood, I perceive an ever-increasing ability within myself to see people as wounded souls. This is not to say that I look upon everyone I meet exclusively through this lens: It is, rather, one perspective which I have come to appreciate as important. Truth be told, it is most important in respect to those people who I find most obnoxious, abrasive, tedious, needy or otherwise difficult. I realize that it seems uncharitable to apply these words to people, but I use them to describe my experience more than anything else. Furthermore, it occurs to me that my own "woundedness" probably has its own irritating effects on others . . . things which are, perhaps, magnified by being the sole priest in the parish.

With some limited success, I am trying to place this perspective "at the ready," in the service of charity towards others. The wounds of anxiety and fear can put a sharp edge on the way people speak, or "stand-up" for their rights, and so forth. I have a choice as to whether I label a person as a "jerk" or acknowledge that, while I can't know what motivates the hostility or brutality in any given situation, there is certainly an experience of being wounded behind it. I reserve every right to tell someone, "your tone is not helpful," but the way in which I do that, ought not to amount to "drawing my own sword," and striking a blow to defend my ego.

I offer this "technique," (if you will), as one possible way of responding to the Gospel command of "loving your neighbor." One of the ancient "Fathers of the Church," Tertullian quotes a famous saying of the pagans of his day when they saw the members of the Christian Church interacting: they would say "**See how they love one another!**"

Of course, the short hand for what I am describing is the word "compassion." Compassion (*com-passio*) means "to suffer with." Ordinarily we use the word in a slightly more narrow sense, and attribute it to the emotions we feel toward someone who is suffering, compelling us to reach out and help. Whereas, the connotation of the word upon which I am seizing is more like the notion that other people are not so different than me: Each person has some version of the same afflictions I have, and perhaps others with which I am not so familiar. However, I do know what it means to have anxiety, fear, and stress: I know how these can make me unpleasant to others at times. Moreover, I am aware that it is quite possible that individuals have been formed in very dysfunctional environments: They may "curse" me, or "wound" me, but to what does faith call me in such a situation? Do we not hear it said, "*Bless those who curse you?*" St. Peter offers words to bolster this reflection: ". . . be of one mind, sympathetic, loving toward one another, compassionate, humble. Do not return evil for evil, or insult for insult; but, on the contrary, a blessing, because to this you were called, that you might inherit a blessing." 

Fr. Greg

**KIC/EDGE:** Please remember to fill out a *Prayer Card Request* available at the entrance to church. Our youth prays for you daily and at Adoration every other Tuesday. God bless.

Presidents Day

As we enjoy a day (or a week!) off to celebrate the life of two of this country's greatest leaders, let us take a minute to say a prayer for our current President as well as all those women and men who help govern our nation.

We ask that all who are in a position of power honor life in all its forms, from conception through natural death.

Pro-Life Committee Rose Drive Fundraiser

Thank you to all who purchased a rose or who supported our sale in any way last week. We raised \$300, enough to fully fund two scholarships to the Natural Family Planning classes taking place in the Diocese in March.

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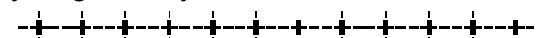
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**NOTE ongoing projects at St. Julie's**

- Used cell phones
- Aluminum tabs
- Cancelled stamps
- Food donations/St. Vincent DePaul
- Brick Memorials/Mary's Garden

### **Faith-filled Adults**

Forgiveness. What comes to mind when you hear that word? Is forgiveness something that comes easily for you? Is it something that resides on your “to do list”? Or is forgiveness something you aimed for ...but you at times wonder if you have really attained...because you still remember? There is an old adage that goes, “forgive and forget.” The first part, forgive, is certainly supported in many places in Scripture. What about the second part though? What about forget? Does remembering mean that you have not forgiven?

As human beings we have the ability to remember and recall a good portion of our personal histories. We were created by God with the ability to remember both the good and the bad. Sometimes remembering tough times is an opportunity for personal and spiritual growth. Not remembering is a moment in our history is akin to amnesia. Forgiveness then doesn't have as much to do with what you remember as much as it does with how you remember. One key to knowing that you have forgiven is the feelings that arise when your memory recalls an offense against you or someone you love. Does anger begin to boil up? Do you think of ways to seek retribution? Then chances are you are still working on forgiving. Keep at it. Ask for God's help. You will get there! However, when your memory recalls an offense against you or someone you love and it is just that... a memory. When you are able to say something like, “yep, that's what happened” and move on with your day, then chances are you have truly forgiven. What's even better? Consider that remembering may actually be the movement of the Holy Spirit inviting you to pray for the one you have forgiven. Peace.

Paula Raposo, Adult Faith Formation

### **Bible Study Break**

Bible Study won't be held this week due to President's Day holiday. We hope to see you next week Tuesday March 1<sup>st</sup> at 10AM or Wednesday March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7PM.

### **For Lent ~ Parish Book Groups**

This Lent we will read Henri Nouwen's book, *The Return of the Prodigal Son*, based on his reflections on the Rembrandt painting called *Prodigal Son*. He reflected on a print of the painting and over time on how he had been the younger (prodigal) son, the elder son and the father in the Gospel story. What struck him “like a thunderbolt,” though, was a friend's admonition: “Whether you are the younger son or the elder son, you are called to be the father. The book is both autobiographical and a call to the sometimes lonely and challenging role of spiritual fatherhood. **An important word** about masculine and inclusive language: While the three main characters in the prodigal son story are all men, Henri is careful in this book to point out how the spiritual characteristics that he describes – even the call to be a better father – are **applicable to both men and women**. *Book discussion groups will be held for 5 weeks, beginning the week of March 14<sup>th</sup>. Look for a registration form in next week's bulletin.*

### **Awakening Faith**

A six week session of Awakening Faith will begin on Tuesday evening May 3<sup>rd</sup>. For more info on attending or inviting someone to attend please email [paula@saintjulies.org](mailto:paula@saintjulies.org)

***FEBRUARY 20, 2011***

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## 40 Days for Life What does that mean?

You may have heard of 40 Days for Life. It is an international campaign of prayer and fasting to bring an end to abortion, begun in 2007. In just four short years, they have accomplished:

- More than 13,000 church congregations have participated in the 40 Days for Life campaigns.
- Reports document 3,599 lives have been spared from abortion.
- 43 abortion workers have quit their jobs and walked away from the abortion industry.
- Nine abortion facilities completely shut down following local 40 Days for Life campaigns.
- Hundreds of women and men have been spared from the tragic effects of abortion, including a lifetime of regrets.

Stephen Marcotte, director of *40 Days for Life* in Attleboro, will speak at the Pro-Life Committee meeting on **Monday, March 7 at 7PM**. Please join us in person or in prayer next Monday evening in the conference room. Refreshments will be served. We look forward to seeing you there!

St. Julie Pro-Life Committee



Responding in Love

<http://www.saintjulies.org/ministries/parish-organizations/pro-life/>

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